

List of giants in mythology and folklore

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Shinto folklore

- [Emperor Keikō](#) - According to records, this 1st century AD emperor stood 10ft 2in tall.^[1]
- [Emperor Chūai](#) - Was said to be ten feet tall, with "a countenance of perfect beauty".^[1]

Other

- [Brobdingnag](#) giant, from Jonathan Swift's [Gulliver's Travels](#)
- [Paul Bunyan \(American folklore\)](#)
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- [Gogmagog](#)
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See also

- [Giant animal \(mythology\)](#)

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